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Connecticut Fire Academy Recruit Firefighter Class # 51 to Graduate
Ceremony to Take Place on May 23, 2013

(Windsor Locks, CT)-The Connecticut Fire Academy proudly announces the graduation of Recruit Class #51. The class of 36 firefighters, representing 17 career and volunteer fire departments from across the state, will complete their 14-week residential based training program on May 22, 2013.

A graduation ceremony will be held at the Connecticut Police Academy in Meriden on Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 1:30 pm.

The class roster consists of firefighters representing fire departments in Branford, Candlewood Volunteer Fire in Brookfield, Cromwell, Fairfield, Gales Ferry, Manchester, Milford, Naugatuck, North Haven, Norwich, Ridgefield, Salem, Southington, Stratford, Wallingford, Westport, and Wilton.

The recruits have been undergoing intensive daily training at the Connecticut Fire Academy since February 13, 2013, focusing on developing knowledge, skills and abilities needed for entry level firefighters. The core program components are to establish a strong desire and will for self-discipline, teamwork, company morale, orderliness and precision. Additional course components include training in Hazardous Materials Mitigation, Weapons of Mass Destruction Preparedness, Confined Space Rescue, CPR Defibrillator and Technical Rescue. The graduating recruits will be nationally certified to the level of Firefighter I and Firefighter II in addition to being awarded numerous certificates for specialized training.

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